

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 - 29. (canceled)

1 30. (new) A method of making an electronic component
2 having a chip module with module contacts and an antenna having
3 antenna contacts, the method comprising the steps of:

4 securing the chip module and module contacts to the inner
5 face of a module film having an outer periphery projecting past the
6 chip module and module contacts;

7 securing the antenna and antenna contacts to a face of a
8 support;

9 pressing the module film against the support such that
10 the module contacts engage and bear on the antenna contacts; and

11 bonding the outer periphery to the face of the support
12 generally all around the chip module.

1 31. (new) The method defined in claim 30 wherein the
2 contacts of the chip module or of the antenna have points so that
3 when pressed against the other contacts they penetrate the other
4 contacts.

1 32. (new) The method defined in claim 31 wherein the
2 pointed contacts are of pyramidal shape.

1 33. (new) The method defined in claim 32 wherein each
2 pointed contact is formed by a multiplicity of particles.

1 34. (new) The method defined in claim 33 wherein the
2 particles are nickel-coated diamond particles.

1 35. (new) The method defined in claim 30 wherein the
2 module film is an elongated strip carrying a plurality of the
3 module chips and their respective module contacts at a uniform
4 predetermined module spacing, the method further comprising the
5 step of:

6 longitudinally subdividing the strip into film sections
7 each of which is of a length equal to the predetermined module
8 spacing.

1 36. (new) The method defined in claim 35 wherein the
2 support to whose face the antenna and antenna contacts are secured
3 is a surface of packaging.

1 37. (new) The method defined in claim 35 wherein the
2 support to whose face the antenna and antenna contacts are secured
3 is an elongated strip carrying a plurality of the antennas and the
4 respective antenna contacts at a predetermined uniform antenna
5 spacing that is substantially greater than the module spacing.

1 38. (new) The method defined in claim 37 wherein the
2 longitudinal subdivision of the strip carrying the modules is
3 carried out before pressing the film sections against the
4 respective antenna on its strip.

1 39. (new) The method defined in claim 38, further
2 comprising the step, after longitudinally subdividing the strip
3 carrying the modules, of longitudinally spacing the film sections
4 by the antenna spacing.

1 40. (new) The method defined in claim 37, wherein the
2 strip carrying the modules is pressed against the strip carrying
3 the antennas before longitudinally subdividing the strip, the
4 longitudinal subdivision of the strip carrying the modules being
5 carried out by removing pieces of the module strip between
6 succeeding modules.

1 41. (new) The method defined in claim 37, further
2 comprising the step of
3 coating the antenna strip with adhesive prior to pressing
4 the module strip against the antenna strip.

1 42. (new) The method defined in claim 41 wherein the
2 coating with adhesive is only done to discrete regions of the
3 antenna strip adjacent the antenna contacts.

1 43. (new) The method defined in claim 42 wherein the
2 discrete regions have a size generally corresponding to the module
3 spacing.

1 44. (new) The method defined in claim 37, further
2 comprising the steps of
3 releasably mounting the module strip on a mounting strip;
4 separating the mounting strip from the module strip prior
5 to securing thereto the modules and module contacts; and
6 releasably securing the modules directly to the mounting
7 strip at least after longitudinal subdivision of the module strip.

1 45. (new) The method defined in claim 44 wherein the
2 modules are releasably secured to the mounting strip before
3 longitudinal subdivision of the module strip and the longitudinal
4 subdivision of the module strip is carried out by removing pieces
5 of the module strip between the modules.

1 46. (new) The method defined in claim 37, further
2 comprising the step of
3 rolling up the antenna strip after pressing the module
4 film against the antenna strip forming the support.

1 47. (new) The method defined in claim 46, further
2 comprising the step prior to rolling up the antenna strip of
3 inspecting the modules.

1 48. (new) The method defined in claim 47, further
2 comprising the step after inspecting the modules of marking any
3 modules failing inspection.

1 49. (new) The method defined in claim 37, further
2 comprising the step of
3 releasably adhering a mounting strip to a face of the
4 antenna strip turned away from the module strip.

1 50. (new) The method defined in claim 37, further
2 comprising the step of
3 releasably adhering a mounting strip to faces of the
4 module strip turned away from the antenna strip and to exposed
5 portions of the face of the antenna strip between adjacent film
6 sections.

1 51. (new) The method defined in claim 30 wherein the
2 module is associated with two respective module contacts and the
3 module is secured to the film between the two respective contacts.

1 52. (new) The method defined in claim 30 wherein the
2 module film is flexible and of plastic.